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On 17 April 1947 the Soviet Consulate in Harbin organize a Geological and Topographical Survey to which thirty man have been assigned. The team is fully equipped with all necessary instruments and supplied with foodstuffs. They have been instructed to study the hilly areas between Lafa (127-17, 43-51) and Harbin, and the railroad between the two cities. Exact measurements and minute sketches, particularly of the hilly areas, have been given the team.

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In the latter part of June 1947 a Soviet investigation group of thirty numbers arrived in Wangyehmiao (122-01, 46-05) via Tsitsihar (123-57, 47-22). They soon left for the Solon area (121-24, 46-41) of the Heingan range. It is not known what they were investigating, but the men wore Russian uniforms and the following equipment was observed: a gasoline generator, an electric drill, and explosives.

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